Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 26 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 27 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 26 Mar 2023 at 04:22 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high confidence for cold, showery conditions on Sunday, dry Monday and turning wetter and milder from Tuesday.

Headline for Sunday 26 Mar 2023: Sunny spells but cold with wintry showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	10%

Forecast for Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Weather: A generally cloudy morning, then brighter or sunny spells increasing through the afternoon. Scattered snow showers over Sutherland and Caithness hills, frequent in the far north. Drier further south with just a few isolated showers. Mainly dry and clear by late evening with just a few snow showers near the north coast.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% in the south, 60% in the north.

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility but temporarily reducing to poor in snow showers, with scattered low cloud, bases 800m in the north, 1100m in the south.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	17/20 NE	20/24 NE	20/26 N	20/27 N	19/25 N	17/21 N	13/16 N
900	16/19 NE	19/23 NE	20/26 N	20/28 N	18/24 N	14/18 N	11/15 N
600	12/15 NE	15/20 NE	15/21 N	16/23 N	14/20 N	8/12 N	6/8 N
300	6/16 NE	7/21 NE	8/23 N	10/24 N	7/20 N	3/14 N	2/10 N
Glen	10/19 NE	11/22 NE	13/23 N	13/24 N	10/20 N	6/14 N	4/10 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-5/-13	-6/-14	-5/-14	-5/-14	-6/-14	-7/-15	-6/-13
900	-4/-12	-5/-13	-4/-12	-4/-12	-5/-13	-6/-13	-6/-12
600	-2/-7	-2/-8	-2/-8	-2/-8	-3/-9	-4/-8	-4/-7
300	1/-2	1/-2	2/-2	2/-2	0/-3	-1/-3	-2/-3
Glen	3/-0	4/-0	4/0	5/1	3/-1	1/-2	1/-1
Freezing Level*	200m	200m	100m	100m	00m	00m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Be aware of the very cold feels like temperatures at height, despite the sunshine.

Forecast for Monday 27 Mar 2023
Weather: Largely clear skies through the early hours. Dry with prolonged sunshine throughout the day. High cloud spreads east late evening.

Maximum wind: Northerly 10-15 mph at first, becoming light, then southwesterly 10 mph by evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: >90%

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 rising to plus 6 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 7 rising to minus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: At the surface, rising to 400m later.

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